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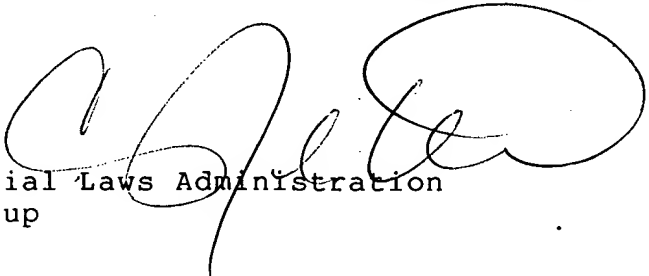
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An informal requirement for a statement from the inventor regarding the conception of the invention in the instant application under section 152 of the Atomic Energy Act and/or section 305(c) of the Aeronautics and Space Act was previously made in this application. Since this application is entitled to small entity status, the prior requirement is hereby waived.

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